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PATENT APPLICATION

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| In re Application of:        | ) |                       |
|                              | : | Examiner: Alex Lieu   |
| TOMOTOSHI KANATSU ET AL.     | ) |                       |
|                              | : | Group Art Unit: 2624  |
| Application No.: 10/627,644  | ) |                       |
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| Filed: July 28, 2003         | ) | Confirmation No. 3600 |
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| For: IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD | ) |                       |
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 1, 2006, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows: